MR. E. G. SALTER (*Director of Transport*): Yes.

Assignment of lands fit for cardamom cultivation in the Kottayam Division.

201. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether a resolution has been passed in the Sri Mulam Assembly to the effect that lands fit for cardamom cultivation in the Kottayam Division before the amalgamation of the Devicolam Division be assigned to Travancoreans;

(*b*) if so, the date, the month and the year of that resolution;

(*c*) if such a resolution has been passed in the Assembly, whether any action has been taken by them till now; and

(*d*) if so, the nature of the action taken and the stage at which it stands at present?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) 27th January 1940.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) The resolution has been recorded as it was found that the exclusion of these areas from the Reserve would affect the Reserve injuriously.

Sathyagraha at the residence of a Police Inspector.

202. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether sathyagraha is being done at the residence of any of the Police Inspectors in the State; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the action taken by Government or the Inspector-General of Police in the matter?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY (*Inspector-General of Police*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Extension of the State Transport Service.

203. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether any extension of the State Transport Service was effected during the current year;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, the reason for the same, and

(*c*) the resolutions passed on questions decided by the Transport Advisory Board at its meetings held during the current year up to 30-5-1116 and the action taken on them?

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MR. E. G. SALTER :

(*a*) No.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

(*c*) (1) To reduce passenger fares and luggage charges.

(2) To allow a porter to travel in each bus to handle luggage belonging to passengers.

(3) To provide waiting sheds and latrines at all important traffic junctions.

(4) To provide quarters for the District Inspector and Foreman, Alwaye.

(5) To form a sub-committee to investigate the possibilities of effecting economies in the working of the Department.

(6) To postpone further extensions till they have studied the financial position of the Department. Resolutions (1) and (5) have been given effect to; arrangements are being made in regard to (2) and (4), and (3) and (6) are under consideration by Government.

Relief works.

204. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : Will the Government be pleased to state the amount they have spent for relief works in the taluks of Chirayinkil, Quilon, Karunagapally, Ambalapuzha and Shertallai respectively ?

MR. P. J. THOMAS :

The following are the figures :

Chirayinkil	Rs.	1,200
Quilon	Rs.	4,420
Karunagapally	Rs.	2,347
Ambalapuzha	Rs.	33,008
Shertallai	Rs.	17,844

Construction of certain roads in Chirayinkil taluk.

205. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have started the construction of the following roads:—

(*a*) the road from first bridge Nedumganda to Vettoor through the canal bank ; and

(*b*) the road connecting Edava and Kappil railway stations?

MR. P. J. THOMAS : (*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

Tickets and bell-punch machines of the Transport Department.

206. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR (*Karunagapally* cum *Kartikapally*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether a number of boxes of printed tickets (for use in the bell-punch ticket issuing machines) are kept unused in the Transport Director's office;

(*b*) whether those tickets were got down from England ;

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